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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed on June 1, 2005, the Applicants hereby elect Group I, Claims 1-27 with traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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